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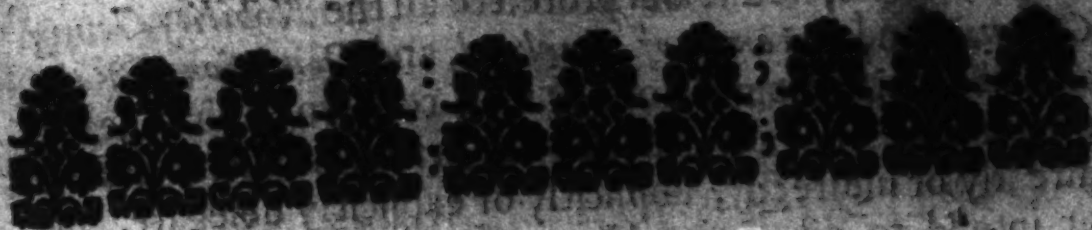
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Of severall

Counties, Cities, and Burroughs, against  
the unfaithfulness, and late unwarrantable  
Proceedings of some of their Knights, Citizens,  
and Burgeses in PARLIAMENT.

 E the Gentlemen and Free-holders of the  
respective Counties of Berks, Huntingdon,  
Kent, Leicester, Monmouth, Northampton,  
Nottingham, Rutland, Salop, Sussex, Wilts,  
and Worcester: and the respective Citizens  
and Freemen of the Cities of Chester, Glou-  
cester, London, Norwich, Winchester, Bristol, Salisbury, and  
York; and the free Burgeses of the severall Barroughs of  
Aylesbury, Wendover, New Windsor, Wallingford, Truro,  
Tregou, Fowey, St. Germans, Cockermonth, Cambridge,  
Barnstaple, Dartmouth, Okehampton, Dorchester, Lyme-  
Regis, Bridport, Wareham, Shaftesbury, Quinborough, Lei-  
cester, Wigan, Liverpool, Great-Tarmouth, Newcastle,  
Woodstock, Southwark, Regate, Tamworth, Bishops-castle,  
Tarmouth, Ipswich, Taunton, Bridgwater, Midhurst,  
Bramber, East-Greenstead, Arundel, Appleby, Calice, Chip-  
penham, Malmsbury, Bedwin, Malbury, Warwick, King-  
ston upon Hull, Knarborough, Rippon, Richmond, Burrough-  
bridge, Aulding, Pomfret, Rye and Cardiffe, do hereby  
respectively for our said severall Counties, Cities and Bur-  
roughs,

roughs, declare, notifie and protest to all the Nobility, Gentry, Commons and Freemen of England, and Dominion of Wales, and all others whom it doth or may concern, That neither we our selves, nor any other by our privy or assents did ever dire Tly or indirectly, implicitly or explicitly delegate, give, or intend to give unto Henry Martin, Valentine Walton, Augustine Skinner, Henry Smith, Henry Herbert, Esquires; Sir Gilbert Pickering, knight, John Hutchinson, Thomas Wait, Esquires; Sir James Harrington, knight, Humphrey Edwards, Anthony Stapley, Edmond Ludlow, Humphrey Saloway, or John Jones, serving in Parliament as knigots of our respective Counties; or to William Edwards, Thomas Pury, John Lenthall, Isaac Pennington, John Ven, Thomas Atkins, John Lisle, Nicholas Lane, Richard Aldworth, Luke Hodges, Michael Oldsworth, John Dure, Esquires; Sir William Alanson, knight; elected and returned Citizens to sit and vote in the Parliament for our respective Cities. Or to Thomas Scot, Thomas Harrison, Cornelius Holland, Edmond Bunch, Francis Rowse, John Carew, Nicholas Gold, Gregory Clement, Benjamin Valentine, Francis Allen, Oliver Cromwell, Philip Skippon, Lawrence Whitaker, Dennis Bond, Edmond Prideaux, Roger Hill, John Fry, John Trenchard, Esquires; Sir Henry Mildmay, knight, Sir Michael Livesey baronet, Augustine Garland, Thomas Lord Grey, Peter Temple, Alexander Rigby, John Moore, Miles Corbet, John Blackstone, William Lenthall Speaker, George Thompson, George Snelling, Esquires; William Lord Viscount Mounson, Sir Peter Wentworth knight of the Bath, John Corbet Esq; Philip Lord Lisle, John Gourdon, George Serle, Robert Blake, Esquires, Sir Thomas Wroth knight, Gregory Norton baronet, William Cowley, James Temple, John Downes, Henry Ireton, Richard Salway, Rowland Wilson, Esquires; Sir Edward Bainton, Sir John Danvers, knights, Edmond Harvie, Philip Smith, William Purefoy, Godfrey Bosvile, Peregrine Pelham, Esquires, William Constable baronet, Sir John Bourchier knight, Thomas Chasener, Francis Thorpe, Esquires; Thomas



*Thomas Mordaunt* Baronet, *Brian Stapleton*, *James Chaloner*, *William White*, *William Hay*, *Thomas Westram*, *Algernon Sidney* Esquires, Burgeses for our respective Boroughs, or to any one of them, any Authority, Power, Commission, Instruction or Deputation whatsoever, to consent, vote, or agree for us, or any of us, or in our Names, Rights and Behalfe, as our Representatives, Knights, Citizens and Burgeses in Parliament, to any Vote, Ordinance, Order, Bill, Act, Articles, or other Instrument whatsoever in the Commons House, or else where, for or concerning the Deposing or Executing the King, the Dis-inheriting of the Prince or Duke of York: The breaking off and laying aside the Personal Treaty with the King, for the happy settlement of that blessed Peace we have so long desired, expected and prayed for: Or rejecting the Kings large Grants for our future security, freedom and tranquillity, the like whereunto we have no hopes to expect hereafter, if now rejected by you on our behalfe, who shall be fully satisfied therewith, when ratified by his royall assent to Bills, and an Oath inviolably to observe them: Or the altering or subverting the ancient Hereditary Monarchical Government of this Kingdom: Or the Constitution of the Parliaments of England, consisting of King, Lords and Commons: The tolerating of all kinds of Religions, Heresies and Errors: The taking away of our Ministers Tythes and usuall Maintenance, or the disorderly intruding into their sacred Functions without any lawfull calling or Ordination there-

thereunto. Much lesse did we or any of us actually or intentionally authorize or empower them, or any of them, to subvert the very foundations of this and all other Parliaments, and betray our ancient Liberties, Rights and Charters, contrary to their trust and duty, by condescending or agreeing to give away our unquestionable rights of Electing our Knights, Citizens and Burgessees according to the Laws and Statutes of this Realm, and Customs, Usages and Charters of our respective Counties, Cities and Burroughs, or to set up any new Representative for us or the Kingdom, which neither we nor our Ancestors ever heard of nor desired: Or to undermine the Honour, Freedom, Rights and Priviledges of Parliament, by sitting and voting in the House, whiles under the visible, detestable force and sword of a rebellious and mutinous Army, who have imprisoned, excluded, and forced away most of their fellow-Members, who ought to joyn with them both in their Debates and Votes: Or to usurp such an arbitrary and exorbitant power to themselves alone, being few in number, and not one fifth part of the House, to repeal, nul, and make void what Votes, Orders, Ordinances and Proceedings they please, made in a free and compleat House, when there were five times more Members present: Or to suspend or cast out their fellow-Members, who are their Peers and Equals, and sit there by the same and as good authority as themselves, or to continue or impose any further Taxes on us, to maintain an imperious, lawless Army to devour and tyrannize over



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over King, Parliament, Lords, Commons, City,  
Country, and the whole Kingdom, as our only So-  
veraign Lords and Masters, without improving  
their utmost authority to suppress and reclaim  
them from their present insolencies, and destru-  
ctive treasonable practices; or else to declare them  
publick Enemies, and Rebels, and proceed against  
the *Ringleaders* of them, and bring them unto  
speedy justice and exemplary punishment. And  
therefore we do here by these presents absolutely  
disclaim and renounce whatever they or any of  
them have fraudulently and indirectly acted, vo-  
ted, ordered, ordained, or consented to, or shall  
hereafter vote, order, ordain or consent to in the  
House of Commons, or else where, in, or concern-  
ing all, or any of the premises, contrary to their  
trusts and duties, and against our consent, autho-  
rity, wils and instructions, to the prejudice or de-  
struction of our Religion, Laws, Liberties, King,  
Kingdom, the Rights, Priviledges and Freedom of  
Parliaments, or their fellow-Members, and hin-  
drance of the speedy Peace and settlement of this  
Realm, or obstructing the relief of despairing *Ire-*  
*land*, or support of any new usurped, Arbitrary  
or Tyrannicall Power in any Party or Faction  
whatsoever, to the inthralling of the Kingdom to  
their vassallage and lawlesse wils; and declare the  
same to be void, null, and no ways binding unto  
us, or any of us; who do hereby demand pub-  
lick justice against them from their fellow-Mem-  
bers in a free and full Parliament, for all the mis-  
demeanors and offences in and against the House,  
its

its Priviledges and Members, or any the Premises : and likewise revoke and resume all that trust, power and authority we formerly delegated and committed to them and every of them, so far as they have abused and perverted it in any of the aforesaid particulars, contrary to our minds and commissions, who by the *Armies late Remonstrance*, may and ought to call them to account for all their unjust Votes, Orders, Proceedings, and abuses of their trust, and to resume their power into our own hands, from whom they received it, only as our Deputies, when we discern them palpably to abuse both it and us, from whom they are to receive their wages. All which we held it our bounden duties in these times of imminent danger and ruine to us and our Posterity, King, Parliament and Kingdom, to remonstrate to the world, and these our Knights, Citizens and Burgeses, our Representatives in the House, that they might take timely notice thereof.

*Dated from our respective Counties, Cities and Boroughs, the 23 of Decemb. 1648.*



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